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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
NOTIFICATION OF USER WHEN CHANGES
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Dear Sir:

Prior to initial review, please amend the above-identified application for patent as set forth below:

In the Claims

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1), Applicant sets forth amendments to claims 1, 13, and 18 by rewriting such claims with all changes. Also, Applicant deletes claims 15 and 19 without prejudice, and adds new claims 21 and 22. Below, Applicant includes all pending claims, whether amended or unchanged, for the convenience of the Examiner.